HUD Best Practices
In Housing and Community Development
Announcing...
Best Practices Symposium '98
June 29 - July 2, 1998
The Charlotte Convention Center
501 South College Street
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

About the Symposium

The *"Best Practices in Housing and Community Development" Symposium* is a central element in HUD's continuing transformation to using the outstanding performance of it's best grantees in Housing, Community Planning and Development, Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Public and Indian Housing and Policy Development and Research, as resources to enhance the performance of all its grantee. Agency-wide HUD has identified 461 "Best Practices" in 272 Blue Ribbon communities, where counties, cities, states, nonprofit organizations and their private sector partners, are establishing new benchmarks of success for implementing HUD programs. Using the outstanding performance by these grantees, this second national symposium will bring together community development practitioners from throughout the nation to share tools, techniques, and strategies. *This year's symposium is one you don't want to miss!*

"Best Practices" will be showcased through over 50 Breakout Sessions in seven key areas: *Neighborhood Revitalization/Suitable Living Environment; Empower People and Communities; Fight for Fair Housing; Reduce Homelessness; Increase Affordable Housing and Homeownership; Promote Jobs and Economic Development; and Restore the Public Trust*. Site-visits to local best practice sites, and exhibits featuring projects from around the country will also be important components of the symposium. Added to this year's agend will be a series of program-specific discussion round tables involving key HUD staff that will address policy issues of concern to practitioners implementing HUD programs, small-group technical assistance sessions designed to assist you in finding solutions to your most complex program problems, a resource library where you can find the most up-to-date information on HUD programs throughout the agency; *Technology 2000*, a computer center open throughout the symposium that will give participants hands-on exposure to all of the agency's current technology products; and *Best Practices Cinema Showcase,* featuring video clips of Best Practice projects from around the country.

Preliminary Symposium Agenda

Sunday, June 28, 1998
12:00-8:00 p.m.	Symposium Registration Center Opens
6:00-8:00 p.m.	Meet & Greet Reception

Monday, June 29, 1998*
8:00-8:00 p.m.	Symposium Registration
9:00-10:15 p.m.	General Plenary Session
10:30-12:00 p.m.	Breakouts #A Lunch
1:30-3:00 p.m.	Breakouts #B
3:15-5:00 p.m.	Breakouts #C
5:15-6:30 p.m.	Technical Assistance Session #1
5:15 -6:30 p.m.	Roundtable Discussion #1- The GMS Process

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Tuesday, June 30, 1998
8:00-8:00 p.m.	Symposium Registration
9:00-10:30 p.m.	Breakouts #D
10:45-12:00 p.m.	Breakouts #E Lunch
1:30-3:00 p.m.	Roundtable Discussion #2-Program Failures
3:00-6:30 p.m.	Technical Assistance Session #2
5:15-6:30 p.m.	Technical Assistance Session #3
6:30 -8:00 p.m.	Exhibit Session #1

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Wednesday, July 1, 1998
9:00-1:00 p.m.	Field Trips to Local Best Practice Sites
1:15-2:45 p.m.	Breakouts #F
3:00-4:30 p.m.	Breakouts #G
4:30-5:30 p.m.	Roundtable Discussion #3-Avoiding Sanctions
6:00-7:30 p.m.	Exhibit Session #2

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Thursday, July 2, 1998
9:00-11:30 a.m.	Roundtable Discussion #4 -FHEO
9:00-11:30 a.m.	Technical Assistance Session #4
11:30-12:00 p.m.	Closing Plenary Session & Wrap-Up
12:00 Noon	*Symposium Adjourns*

Hotel Accommodations

HUD does not arrange individual hotel accommodations, However, a block of rooms are being held at the following hotels for "Best Practice Symposium" participants. Be sure to mention you are a Symposium participant to secure your reservation and receive preferred rates. Please contact the hotels below directly. *Please note that we recommend your reservations be made early.*

The Hilton/Charlotte (formerly the Westin Hotel) 222 East Third Street Charlotte, NC 28202 Phone: (704) 377-1500 Fax: (704) 333-1314 Deadline for Reservations: June 7	**Rate**: $71.00 (tax included) **Deadline for Reservations:** **June 15, 1998**
The Charlotte Marriott - City Center 100 West Trade Street Charlotte, NC 28202 (704) 333-9000	**Rate**: $71.00 (tax included) **Deadline for Reservations:** **June 15, 1998**
Overflow Hotels	
The Adams Mark Hotel 555 South McDowell Street Charlotte, NC 28204 (704) 372-4100	**Rate**: $71.00 + 12% Occupancy Tax **Deadline for Reservations:** **June 15, 1998**
The Radisson Plaza 101 South Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28280 (704) 377-0400	**Rate:** $71.00 + 12% Occupancy Tax **Deadline for Reservations:** **June 15, 1998**

Registration Form

There is no registration fee to attend any of the Symposium sessions. However, all participants must register. Space is limited--so register today!

☐ **Yes, I will attend the Symposium**. To register, please complete the information below and fax to " Best Practices In Housing and Community Development- Symposium" at (202) 289-8107, or mail to *HUD Best Practices Symposium'98 c\o TONYA, Inc., 1000 Vermont Avenue, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20005.* To receive an information packet, contact your HUD Field Office Representative or call (202) 289-8100. **All Registration Forms must be received by June 22, 1998.**

Name (As you would like it to appear on you name badge)	Title

Agency

Address	City/State	Zip

Phone #	Fax #

Please indicate which breakout sessions are of most interest to you by placing an "X" in the appropriate box. This form will allow us to better schedule activities that meet your needs — it does not register you for a specific breakout session. Registration for breakout sessions and field trips to local "Best Practices" will take place on site.

1. **Neighborhood Revitalization / Suitable Living Environment**
   - ☐ Community/Neighborhood Revitalization
   - ☐ Coordinating Activities
   - ☐ Creative Citizen Participation
   - ☐ Partnerships
   - ☐ Public Facilities & Services
   - ☐ Setting Performance Benchmarks

2. **Reduce Homelessness**
   - ☐ Coordination of Service Providers
   - ☐ Homeless Adults/Families
   - ☐ Housing
   - ☐ Special Needs

3. **Increase Affordable Housing and Homeownership**
   - ☐ Affordable Housing
   - ☐ Homeownership
   - ☐ Rehabilitation
   - ☐ Special Needs
   - ☐ Public & Indian Housig

4. **Fight for Fair Housing**
   - ☐ Multi-Family Housing
   - ☐ Single Family Housing

5. **Restore the Public Trust**
   - ☐ Compliance w/Program Requirements
   - ☐ Implementing IDIS
   - ☐ Oversight
   - ☐ Streamlining Financial Management
   - ☐ Subrecipient Monitoring

6. **Promote Jobs and Economic Development**
   - ☐ Business Development
   - ☐ Economic Revitalization
   - ☐ Job Creation/Job Training
   - ☐ Microenterprise

7. **Empower People and Communities**
   - ☐ Coordinating Activities
   - ☐ Creative Citizen Participation
   - ☐ Partnerships
   - ☐ Setting Performance Benchmarks
   - ☐ Consolidated Planning